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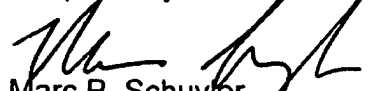
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Sir:

In connection with the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant hereby certifies that each item identified therein was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office not more than three months prior to the filing of the enclosed information disclosure statement.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the enclosed information disclosure statement is properly submitted without fee, notwithstanding issuance of a prior office action in this case, pursuant to Rule 97(c).

Respectfully submitted,



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